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ELLERHOLME
AMBLESIDE

October 16th

1916

Dear Miss Mason

I wrote to Mr. Arthur
Brydson (late Miss
Harrison) & asked her
about the motto on the
Stancare window at
Scale How. She replied
as follows "Yes, the
motto is the Harrison

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Hoping you are well
Yours Sincerely
A. Harrison Orr.

Rydal.

Dec 21st 1917-

My dear Miss Mason:

It was so good to see
your hand writing in the
books that arrived this
morning - for it proves
you are able to select &
write what you want us
to enjoy with you - and
that your kind heart is -
as always, planning pleas-
ures that do not cloy -
None of these are familiar
to me, & when this hur-
ried time is over, we shall

have delightful times with
them -

I am following Russia's
plunging ship with sorrow-
ful zest - It is too
terrible to see what storms
she is making - but I do
not believe she will founder!
The news is so black on
every side - that hope totters,
and for Italy we hold our
breath! - -

Wonder if you saw
in the "Times" last July a
series of articles on "The New
America" by Ian Hay?
They are intensely interesting
and speak of Pres. Wilson

in a way that makes us
prouder than ever -
I will send them if you'd
like to see them -

My husband feels the
long suspense & tension
sadly - & his lamp is
always burning ^{through the night} so
that he can read & escape
from thought when, long
wakeful, it becomes un-
bearable -

Milton, Ovid, & W.
Lucas he has been reading
aloud to me in the dark
hours - & Leigh Hunt &
Lauder's "Imaginary Con-
versations" - and classics

are serving him ^{up4pneu14} many a
good turn, these days -

Thank you, dear friend,
for so faithfully remember-
ing us.

May the New Year bring you
renewed strength - and re-
move your anxieties - &
oh may we all have Peace -
individual & personal - if
not yet national.

God bless you ever -

With my love to dear T.P.
and Miss Kitching

Yours affectionately,
Emily Yates.

After long waiting I have a good letter from
Don today, so my Christmas will be happy -!

June 13.

My dear Miss Mason

I enclose you
Mrs Brydons reply to my
questions - Please do not
trouble to return it -

It does not give us many
Certainties, and I do not
think I am altogether
prepared to accept her
negative opinion as to
my Grandfather having had
no share in the "Planting" -
(I am sure I said "laying
out" in my letter) - I
have another cousin,
Mrs Higginbotham,

staying with me now who
 spent much of her childhood
 in this valley, and says she
 "grew up in the tradition" that
 the Poet had much to do with
 the laying out - Dorothy
 Wordsworth married Benson
 Harrison in 1823 - The
 Knott family owned Rydal
 Mount down to about 1803, and also
 the large properties of Monk
 Cribston and Grizedale - One
 of them had been a predecessor
 of the Poet as distributor of
 stamps, and a Miss Knott

is sometimes mentioned by
 Dorothy in her letters -

I am sorry I cannot give
 you more information, but if
 I ever get a clue I will
 follow it up - for my own sake
 as much as yours - for
 "Grannie" occupies a very
 large share of my occupation
 affections,

and I never enter your
 house without seeing her -

Yrs very sincerely
 Gordon Wordsworth

P.S. When Grannie went to
 school at Belle Vue with the
 Misses Dowling, she was living

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permanently at Rydal Mount,
I do not think the name
Belle Vue was in use then.

L. W.

Scots Row

24/1/1914

WATER PARK
GREENODD,

ULVERSTON.

Tuesday

My dear Gordon.

Wish I could give you
some definite particulars
about Sealie Row! I think
it belonged to my great
grandfather. Granny said
it was let to 2 Miss Knott
^{by the Harrisons}
& that when she was a little
girl & went to school at
Bellevue she used to go
there with them & that the
dining room & her bed

Woman / The Red Room /
was then a No. 1 woman &
Miss Kuroki used to give her
things out of it - I don't
think of Grandfather
had anything to do with
any planting then - the
large Cherry tree on the drive
came out of the wood here
was planted as quite a
large tree in comparative
late years - it belonged to
(I mean S.H. / my great Grand-
father at the same time

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as the Croft -

(Croft Lodge as it was
till the Fletchers bought it)
the Belmont property w.
Hawthhead also belonged
my gr^d grandfather & I
think it was my grandfather
who sold it - I believe the
new part that was added
D.S.H. by my grandfather
was the drawing r. & the
main passage leading
Sib & Granny designed
it entirely ^{as} they were
told it could not be

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put any where she
invented! I don't know
 whom it formerly belonged
 for certain but think the
 Braithwaits came in some-
 how & a Harison named
 me of them & may have
 bought it —

I am so very sorry to hear
 Miss Arnold has been ill
 but very glad she is better
 how wonderful she is! &
 how much I hope to see her
 again some day —